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#### IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of § Art Group: 3672

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Serial No.: 10/707,673

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For: Apparatus and Method for Bonding a §
Transmission Line to a Downhole Tool §

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Honorable Commissioner for Patents

P.O. Box 1450

Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

This paper is timely submitted in response to the Patent and Trademark Office Action mailed December 12, 2005 for which the shortened – statutory period for response is set to expire on January 12, 2005.

#### Restriction/Election Requirement

The Office restricted the application to one of the following species for prosecution on the merits:

I. The transmission line being mechanically gripped by the first surface as depicted in Figures 5A-5C and 6.

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- II. The transmission line being bonded by the first surface as depicted in Figures 11 13.
- III. The transmission line being completely enclosed by the first surface as depicted in Figure 8.
- IV. The transmission line being partially enclosed by the first surface as depicted in Figures 7A and 7B.

The Applicants elect species II for prosecution on the merits without traverse. Applicants believe that Claims 1, 3, 4, 7-10, 12, 13, 16-22 are readable on the elected species.

It is believed that there are no fees due at this time. If there are any questions concerning the above, please contact the undersigned at 801-310-8427.

Respectfully submitted,

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